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**United States District Court
Central District of California**

12 ANNA ANDREWS, individually and on
13 behalf of all other similarly situated,

14 Plaintiff,

15 v.

16 GENERAL MOTORS LLC,

17 Defendant.

Case No. 5:14-cv-01239-ODW(AJWx)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE RE.
LACK OF SUBJECT-MATTER
JURISDICTION**

18 On June 18, 2014, Plaintiff Anna Andrews filed this putative class-action
19 lawsuit against Defendant General Motors LLC, ostensibly invoking jurisdiction
20 under the Class Action Fairness Act (“CAFA”), 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d). CAFA
21 jurisdiction only applies when, among other things, “any member of a class of
22 plaintiffs is a citizen of a State different from any defendant.” *Id.* § 1332(d)(2)(A).
23 Andrews alleges that General Motors is incorporated in Delaware and has its principal
24 place of business in Detroit, Michigan. (Compl. ¶ 32.)


25 But this allegation misstates the citizenship rules for limited-liability
26 companies. LLCs are citizens of all states in which their members are citizens—not
27 where they are organized and have their principal place of business. *Johnson v.*
28 *Columbia Props. Anchorage, LP*, 437 F.3d 894, 899 (9th Cir. 2006). The Court

1 therefore cannot adequately determine whether it has subject-matter jurisdiction over
2 this action until it knows the citizenship of General Motors' members.

3 The Court therefore **ORDERS** Andrews to **SHOW CAUSE** in writing by
4 Tuesday, July 8, 2014, why the Court should not dismiss her action for lack of
5 subject-matter jurisdiction. No hearing will be held; Andrews shall respond in
6 writing. Failure to timely respond will result in dismissal for lack of prosecution.

7 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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9 June 24, 2014

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12 **OTIS D. WRIGHT, II**
13 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**
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